

Docket No.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:)
Koji ARITA et al) Group Art Unit: 2813
Serial No. 09/938,528) Examiner: David S. Blum
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For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A) Date: March 5, 2004
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)

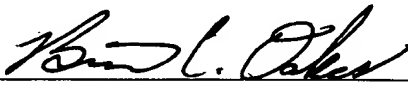
**REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION OF ALLOWED CLAIMS IN THE NOTICE OF
ALLOWABILITY**

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Sir:

Applicants' representative is in receipt of the Notice of Allowance dated December 22, 2003 wherein the Notice of Allowability lists the allowed claims as 1, 4 and 5. However, it is noted that on page 4 of the Reasons for Allowance Subject Matter that claims 1, 3 and 4 are listed as the allowed claims. It is therefore requested that the Examiner, again, indicate the allowed claims as 1, 4 and 5 by way of a Supplemental Notice of Allowability.

Respectfully submitted,



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